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Aurora's Community Newspaper

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It was standing room only Wednesday night as the Aurora Chamber of Commerce and The Auroran Community Newspaper co-sponsored an all-candidates' meeting at Aurora's Howard Johnson Hotel. More than 150 people heard four of the six candidates outline their plans should they be elected in the Oct. 10 provincial election.

Auroran photo by David Falconer

150 meet provincial candidates

Aurora residents had the opportunity to meet four of the candidates seeking the Newmarket/Aurora riding seat in the Oct. 10 provincial election Wednesday night.

A Meet Your Candidate meeting attracted more than 150 to the Howard Johnson Aurora hotel, for the evening sponsored by the Aurora Chamber of Commerce and The Auroran.

In addition to hearing the candidates answer questions during the formal part of the meeting, they had the opportunity to meet the candidates on a one-to-one basis.

Participating were Progressive Conservative MPP Frank Klees, Liberal Christina Bisanz, NDP Michael Seward and Tad Brudzinski of the Family Coalition Party of Ontario.

Also running are Eve Simson of the Green Party and Craig Hodgins of the Libertarians, but neither attended.

Elaine Allen made a presentation on the referendum question which will be on the election ballot asking voters to decide whether they preferred remaining with the current "First Past the Post" method of electing MPPs or

switching to the Mixed Member Proportional system recommended by a Citizens Committee on Electoral Reform.

In the First Past the Post electoral system the candidate receiving the most votes is the winner and often the winning candidates for a party far exceeds the popular vote for the same party.

If the MMP system should be approved it will become effective for the next provincial election in

2011 and the Legislature would grow to 129 members, up from 107 with 90 MPPs elected and 39 appointed by the parties.

Each candidate was given two minutes for opening statements starting with Liberal candidate Christina Bisanz who lives and works in the community as a consumer advocate and independent consultant and wants to use her talents to work for the people of Newmarket/Aurora as a member

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A total of 14 area groups will split half a million dollars raised Saturday night at the sold-out 20th anniversary of the Magna Hoedown. Belinda Stronach, and her father, Frank, second and third from right, have hosted the event since 1987.

Auroran photo by Rob Schuetz

BRIEFLY

Membership drive

In an effort to increase its membership, the Aurora Seniors Association Board of Directors is planning a membership drive later this month.

Set for Friday, Sept. 28, between 5 and 9 p.m. the new centre on Municipal Drive will be open and new members joining during that time will be given a complimentary free activity card valued at \$10.

Tours through the building showing the activities will take place during the evening and light refreshments will be served.

Clean up Case

This Saturday, Sept. 22, from 9 to 11 a.m., the Oak Ridges Trail Association will hold its autumn clean-up of the Case Woodlot near the corner of Bathurst Street and Henderson Drive.

The public is invited to join in for an hour or two to help pick up trash and maintain the trails in the park.

Gloves and garbage bags will be supplied.

If you're interested, you should meet by the baseball diamond behind Highview School on McClellan Way (park at school).

For more information, contact Rob at 905-727-9377.

Replacing pucks with soap

In order to raise funds, members of the Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AE hockey team will wash your car.

It'll all happen Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Aurora Oil X Change, 136 Wellington Street East.

Hockey players will be on hand with soap and water instead of pucks and hockey sticks from 8.30 in the morning until 2 in the afternoon.

Habitat at Market

Habitat for Humanity, the group that seriously wants to build a home in Aurora but can't find a spot, will tell its story this Saturday at a booth at the Aurora Farmers' Market.

They will tell all from their booth between 8 a.m. and noon at the market on Temperance Street, just south of Wellington West.

Meanwhile, the group which operates the Re-Store in Newmarket, needs to move and would like to relocate in Aurora.

It needs about 10,000 to 20,000 square feet of space and actually pays rent for the premises.

Gee, wonder what they're going to do with the old hydro building on Industrial Parkway?

Officials would like to move to Aurora because of its central York Region location.

Munslow president

Aurora's Marilyn Munslow was selected as this year's president of the Probus Club of Aurora, during annual elections held last week.

Other members of the executive include Vice-President, Bob Saunders; Treasurer, Lorne Smith; Secretary, June Sadgrove; and Past President, Michael Varcoe.

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Scottish Country Dancing is held every Friday morning at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church beginning at 10.30 a.m. No partners are needed and beginners are welcome.

The York Region Women's Centre will hold a series of orientation sessions for women interested in learning more about the Enterprising Women business course. Orientation sessions are scheduled at Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street, Sept. 25, at 1 p.m., Sept. 26, at 9.30 a.m., and Oct. 3, at 9.30 a.m. For more information contact Kirsten Eastwood at 905-727-5837, ext. 203 or by e-mail at ew_kirsten@yahoo.ca. Candidates must attend an orientation session before joining the program.

From Oct. 3 until Nov. 28, on nine Wednesday evenings, the Bereavement Support Group, for adults experiencing the loss of a loved one, will meet at Aurora United Church, 15186 Yonge Street from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. For more information, call Mary at 905-727-6984. There is no fee for this program.

Meet at Martha's Table, now in its third season. Every Thursday from 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., comfort food and a sense of community is available in the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church hall, Aurora. Any funds raised are directed to other community outreach projects.

Aurora Agricultural Society meets the first Monday of every month from 6.30 to 9 p.m. at the Aurora Community Centre. New members welcome. For more information, call 905-713-6773, e-mail at info@aurorafair.ca, or visit www.aurorafair.ca.

Aurora Rotary Club meets every Monday evening at 6.30 p.m. at Gabriel's on Yonge Street. New members welcome. For further information, call 905-841-1352.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows Lodge #148 meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at 15216 Yonge Street (south of Wellington). For more information, call 905-830-9205.

Masons' Rising Sun Lodge meets the first Thursday of each month at The Rising Sun Temple, 57 Mosley Street, at 7.30 p.m.

Robertson Masonic Lodge meets the third Saturday each month at 57 Mosley Street at 10.30 a.m. Coffee club at 9 a.m., lunch at noon. Call 905-727-3032 or 905-727-1080.

Gamblers Anonymous, every Tuesday night, Trinity Anglican Church, Victoria Street, 7.30 p.m.

Euchre every Thursday night. Aurora Legion, 7.30 p.m. Call 905-727-9932.

Canadian Federation of University Women has monthly meetings at the Aurora Legion with a variety of speakers. Contact Beverley at 905-727-2151.

Euchre at the Legion, 1 p.m. every third Sunday.

The Aurora Seniors Evergreen Choir practice under the direction of Tom Rainsford every Wednesday from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the West-McKenzie Hall of the Seniors Centre.

VARIOUS DATES TO SEPT. 29

Theatre Aurora presents "Charley's Aunt" by

Brandon Thomas. Call the box office at 905-727-3669 for further details.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Regular meeting of the Aurora Historical Society with guest speaker Jackie Stuart on the topic "Then and Now" at 8 p.m. at Hillary House.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Amnesty International meets at 7.30 p.m. at Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street. New members welcome. For more information, call 905-713-6713.

Aurora Chamber of Commerce invites its members to Hillary House at 5.30 p.m. for a presentation of the 2007 audited financial statements, followed by complimentary food and refreshments. Pre-registration required. Call 905-727-7262.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Fundraising car wash for the Aurora Tigers Minor Bantam AE hockey team, 136 Wellington Street East, 8.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Business After Five meeting hosts members from the Aurora and Newmarket Chambers of Commerce at Skyview Dental Care, 372 Hollandview Trail. Pre-registration required. Call 905-727-7262.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Aurora Horticultural Society presents lecture on "Four Months of Blooming Iris" at the Royal Canadian Legion, 8 p.m., 105 Industrial Parkway North.

Aurora Council public planning meeting at 7 p.m. in the council chambers of the Town Hall.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Aurora Seniors Association membership drive between 5 and 9 p.m. at the Centre, 5 Municipal Drive. Tours through the building will take place and light refreshments will be served.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

The first ever Words Alive Literary Festival will be held all day at the Sharon Temple and features several people from Aurora. The festival celebrates a rich literary heritage providing a showcase for contemporary local authors. Words Alive is a non-profit organization. The festival will feature Aurora's Marina Nemat, Dr. John McIntyre, and Ron Wallace. Also making an appearance are Roy MacGregor, Eliza Clarke and Barry Dempster. For more information, visit www.wordsalive.ca.

Enjoy songs from musical theatre and 20th century pop at a matinee concert by The Accidentals, with Tom Rainsford as guest vocalist. The 2 p.m. concert will be held in the sanctuary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Light refreshments served. Tickets: \$8. Sponsored by St. Andrew's Guild.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Blessing of the Animals at the Rectory lawn of Trinity Anglican Church. Bring your pets, large or small, for a blessing as church celebrates St. Francis Day.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Aurora and Newmarket members of the Chambers of Commerce will host a Business After Five meeting at Georgian Downs racetrack in Innisfil from 5.30 p.m. Cost is \$10 which includes buffet. Pre-registration required. Call 905-727-7262.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

The Aurora Seniors Association has teamed up with Opera York's Concerts for Seniors to present the live, tour-de-force production of Rossini's comic opera, "The Barber of Seville".

The one-hour show will be held at the Seniors' Centre, Thursday, at 2 p.m. Tickets, at \$10 each,

are currently on sale at the centre, but are limited to 200. Call 905-726-4767 for further information.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

Provincial election and Referendum Day.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

CHATS presents its United Way Fundraiser "Around the World" from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Aurora office. It will be an international food sampling, wine tasting and silent auction. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the Aurora Office, 126 Wellington Street West, or call 905-713-3373, ext. 6032.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

Aurora Chamber of Commerce annual Business Excellence evening in Aurora. Pre-registration required. Call 905-727-7262.

OCTOBER 19 and 20

Aurora United Church Fall Rummage Sale, 15186 Yonge Street. Hours on October 19: 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 20, 9 a.m. to noon. For more information call 905-727-1935.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

Aurora Horticultural Society presents lecture

on "Festive Entertaining" at the Royal Canadian Legion, 8 p.m., 105 Industrial Parkway North.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

York Chamber Ensemble begins a four-concert series with a Bach motif featuring renowned guest violinists Gerard Kantarjian and Gayane Bareghamyan. The concert, conducted by Aurora's Tony Browning, will be held at Trinity Anglican Church, 79 Victoria Street, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets, available at the door, are \$15; \$10 for students and seniors.

NOVEMBER 4 to 19

Aurora seniors will take a 15-day Hawaiian cruise. Call Pam at 416-630-3499 for details.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Big Brothers Big Sisters of York presents its Annual Gala "Catch A Dream" at DiNardo's Mansion, 400 Industrial Parkway South, with reception at 6.30 p.m. and dinner at 7.30 p.m. Evening includes cocktails, dinner, raffles, live and silent auction and dancing. Tickets are \$150 per person and may be reserved by calling 905-895-0289.

Aurora Council approves heritage committee logo

Last February, Aurora's newly-elected council appointed Robert Elliott, Lynne McKenzie, Bill Newman, Stan Rycombel, Donna Smith and Jacqueline Stuart to the town's Heritage Advisory Committee.

A month later, in order to assist the committee with their efforts to promote and protect heritage resources,

the committee considered the development of a distinct logo, similar to what other municipal Heritage Committees had done.

The logo would be used to represent the committee for use on the town website, promotional materials, presentations, publications, and other locations.

The preferred logo was based on the Heritage

Designation Plaque Design which was oval in shape with town crest and "Town of Aurora" and "Heritage Advisory Committee" in text within the oval.

The logo has been approved by council.

Earlier this month council appointed Andries Godschalk to the committee following a private session.

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When Christina Bisanz opened her Liberal campaign headquarters in Aurora Saturday, a special guest dropped in. Charles Beer, a former Cabinet Minister in the provincial government, was one of several people to wish the candidate well in the upcoming Oct. 10 provincial election.

Auroran photo by Ron Wallace

Committee seeks youth nominations

Know someone 18 or younger who's interested in history?

The Heritage Advisory Committee of Aurora is looking for nominees for this year's awards for residents who have made outstanding contributions to Aurora in the area of built, cultural or natural heritage preservation.

For schools, a specific class or a small project group may also be nominated where the effort is shared.

Project groups from youth organizations such as Girl Guides, Brownies, Field Naturalists, 4-H Clubs, Boy Scouts, Cubs and Cadets also qualify for the nomination.

The following are examples of voluntary activities that qualify:

Built heritage: hands-on voluntary work to restore or maintain a heritage structure (buildings, bridges, etc.); significant fundraising to support restoration of a historical building; research or writing (books, walking tours, exhibits, websites) on heritage buildings.

Cultural heritage: significant volunteer service to a museum or historic site; research or writing (books, walking tours, exhibits, websites) related to local history; sustained participation in historical re-enactments at local events; significant voluntary participation on an archaeological dig; collection of local artifacts, heritage photographs or memorabilia that are shared with the community; volunteer work in preserving, restoring or re-creating a heritage garden based on historical research.

Information about the award program and nomination forms can be found on the Ontario Heritage Trust Website at: [http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/userfiles/H](http://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/userfiles/HTML/nts_1_2616_1.html)

Nominees for the Young Heritage Leaders program will also be considered for the new Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award.

That award recognizes the

most exceptional nominee in Ontario in each of the categories.

Nominations must be endorsed by the mayor or principals of schools.

Deadline for nominations to be received by the province is Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Aurora's Heritage Advisory

Committee will review nominations received by the Town and make recommendations to Council at its Oct. 15 meeting.

Nominees are asked to submit their nomination material to the Town Clerk before Oct. 11 to be considered by the Committee.

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Poor Richard

Bus proposal upsets Simcoe

*Governor Simcoe is very upset,
Claiming Aurorans let him down;
They've lost their fighting spirit,
By not standing up for their town!*
- Poor Richard's Scrapbook

Governor John Graves Simcoe only returns to Aurora these days when he believes that council and the citizens are not protecting his beloved Yonge Street which he named after his friend, Britain's Minister of Defence, Sir George Yonge.

He appeared at the office of The Auroran recently in full uniform with medals and blasted editor Ron Wallace and your humble servant about the possibility of dedicated bus lanes on Yonge Street which had been presented to Aurora's general committee meeting last June.

As Yonge Street was his pride and joy, he was irate to think that anyone would have the audacity to interfere with the freedom of the use of his road by a bus line to the exclusion of everyone else.

He referred to a presentation at the committee meeting when representatives of the York Region Rapid Transit Corporation made a presentation on the North Yonge Street Public Transit Corridor and the Associated Road Improvements Environmental Assessment.

Governor Simcoe pointed out that the proposal was for two dedicated bus lanes in the centre of his street, which in most cases especially through Aurora, was only four lanes wide which meant two lanes for buses, two lanes for traffic and no room for parking.

When we suggested that he should appear at council as a delegate to present his case, he said he was no longer a resident of Aurora and was afraid of being given the brush-off.

The Governor expected The Auroran to carry his cause.

He made that statement even though the general committee had asked about the dedicated lanes with parking on Yonge Street and had been told alternative parking would be studied.

He also pointed out this was the same council who authorized a \$30,000 parking study because of the shortage of parking around the new library.

It also approved an extension of the parking limit on Yonge Street from one to two hours, with parking spaces identified and clearly signed.

He expressed his frustration and disappointment in Aurora Council for receiving the presentation as information and to the Yonge Street merchants and businesspeople who accepted the proposal as a fait accompli.

He blamed The Auroran, as the town's only community newspaper, for not giving the proposal more news.

He cited the action being taken by the residents of Thornhill and Richmond Hill who are opposing the bus-only lanes and have organized a group called "Save Our Yonge".

He added he had expected Aurora Council and citizens to lead the fight, as his Yonge Street is overcrowded now with all the rapid growth.

He referred to Main Street in Newmarket which was not part of the Yonge Street problem and the events the people of Newmarket are able to enjoy like the recent International Day on Main Street as visitors had the opportunity to Travel the World with more than 35 stores and businesses participating in the event.

Suddenly his eyes lit up with excitement and he yelled "I've got it! I've got it!"

He added that Markham had done it with the Markham Bypass to save the old Village of Markham and Unionville had done it with the Kennedy Street Bypass to save the village for people.

"We'll convert the Industrial Parkway into the "Aurora Bypass" and divert all the through traffic, heavy trucks and the Viva buses to the bypass.

They would be fed by local buses which would leave the downtown section of Yonge Street to the people.

When it was pointed out that transit officials had looked at the Industrial Parkway as an alternate route but had rejected it and Yonge Street was the preferred route, he wasn't deterred, as he said he had faced more difficult challenges when establishing Upper Canada.

With a wide smile on his face as if he had just won a major victory, he saluted us and stomped out of The Auroran office and disappeared after promising to return.



This photo of the Canadian National Railways museum train was taken in Aurora in 1953 when the train stopped here to mark the 100th anniversary of the train that first came to Aurora (Machell's Corners) in 1853, making the community the "Head of Rail".

Letters to the Editor

Traffic calming doesn't fix the problem: reader

To the editor,

The Town of Aurora has seen fit to more or less block off some roads in the north east quadrant of the town, by making a maze or putting cement curbs out and into the residential side streets.

This action, called a traffic calming, is a dangerous band-aid attempt to detour the traffic out of the residential area.

This does nothing to correct the main problem.

This action was caused by residents' complaints as motorists used the residential side streets to bypass the four corners of Yonge and Wellington in town because the intersection is a bottleneck and almost always plugged up with left turning vehicles and buses.

Motorists have to wait for two or three stop light changes before they can proceed.

I have been in contact with

both the Town of Aurora and the Region of York and made a suggestion that I thought would make a much better alternative action to what we are now doing.

My suggestion was to designate both north and south-bound traffic a left turn only lane with a simultaneous advanced left turn green signal.

The through and right turn traffic in the right hand lane, would not be allowed to go.

This only takes two lanes to do.

The only downfall to this is that it may take away a couple of parking spots that are close to the corners and bus stops may have to move slightly to allow a little more room in the right hand lanes for through and right turning traffic.

The above only uses two lanes in each direction. Additional lanes are not required.

The left hand lane is usual-

ly blocked with cars waiting to turn left.

The above would also apply to the east/west traffic when it was their turn to proceed.

The response from a gentleman at the Region of York, was that we would have to demolish some buildings to make room to do this...add more lanes.

I disagree.

Ron Wallace, of Aurora, has in the past offered an alternate solution to the prob-

lem as well.

His suggestion was to let each direction have its own green light to proceed through or turn with the other three directions waiting for their turn.

A four-cycle system.

Why can they not try one of these suggestions before we spend more taxpayers' money on band aid solutions?

Something needs to be done at the four corners soon.

**John Swarbrick
Aurora**

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Hollywood comes to Aurora, Ontario

To the editor,

Well, the Smart Centre is certainly taking shape now, folks.

While my friend and I were coming back into Aurora last week, north off the 404, we both looked over to that place they're building called a Smart Centre.

It was our hope that it would not resemble the other centres that they have built. Well, it certainly looks like it will be now.

Welcome to Hollywood in Aurora.

Heard the expression

"smoke and mirrors"?

That's what you're getting, folks.

It's unfortunate that we'll all have to look at the back side of all those fake facades.

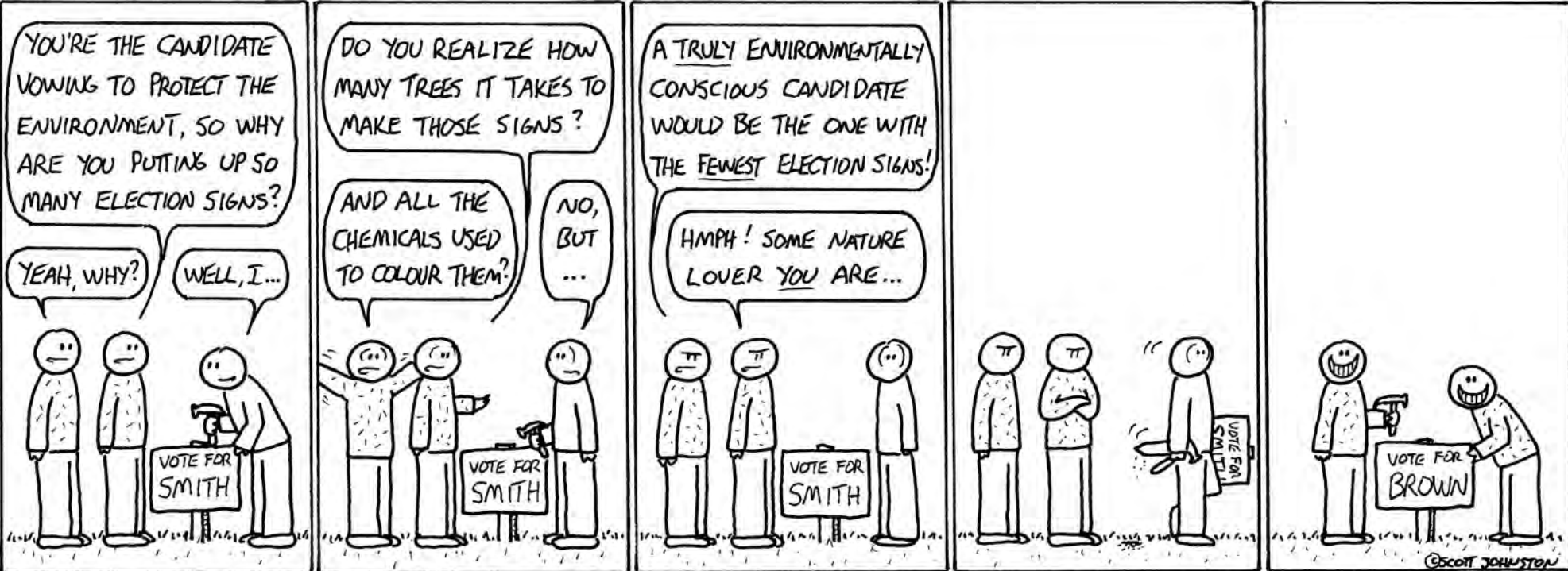
It's even more evident because of the elevation at which one enters and exits Aurora.

I guess it's too late to fix it now, the show must go on.

Maybe that new gateway sign that's being planned will hide it all.

Break a leg, Aurora.

**Pete Grayson
Aurora**



Front Porch Perspective

By Stephen Somerville

Welcome, Father Tim

Quick, what are your top 10 favourite movies? Mine run the gamut from Happy Gilmour and the Waterboy, to Clint Eastwood's Fistful of Dollars, to Patton, Midway, The Candidate and All the President's Men. My top three list would include Apollo 13, starring Tom Hanks, and Contact, starring Jodi Foster. Both movies had compelling story lines, moved at a quick pace, used music well to convey the emotions of the moment and, in Contact, made me really wonder if someone else is out there in a near celestial neighbourhood. My top three list would not be complete however, without the film Shoes of the Fisherman, a 1968 movie starring Anthony Quinn, Lawrence Olivier, David Janssen and a host of other top actors. According to the Internet Movie Database website, "After 20 years in a Siberian labor camp, Kiril Lakota (Anthony Quinn), the Metropolitan Archbishop of Lvov, is set free. The Catholic Archbishop is released and sent to Rome, where the ailing Pope makes him a Cardinal. The world is in a state of crisis - a famine in China is exacerbated by United States restrictions on Chinese trade and the ongoing Chinese-Soviet feud. When the Pontiff dies, Lakota finds himself elected Pope". Apart from the storyline and acting quality, what I also liked about the film were the breathtaking pictures of Rome along with the outstanding musical score. The drama, excitement, mood and emotion of the events were captured extremely well.

But the best parts of the film to me were the scenes involving the conclave to choose the new Pope and also his coronation ceremony. Here in Aurora, an installation ceremony took place last week at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. It lacked the size, attention and obviously the appearance of the 117 Cardinals who were on hand in the film, but the local event did not lack for excitement, colour or pageantry. One could feel the sense of anticipation. Our Lady of Grace has had only three pastors over its first 60 years of existence. The just retired Father Don MacLean had served as pastor for nearly 17 years. The Mass Sept. 9 was absolutely full. Most Reverend Peter Hundt, auxiliary bishop of Toronto for the Northern and Eastern Pastoral Regions, oversaw the event and was responsible for the installation of Father Timothy K. Hanley as pastor. Father Hanley is a 45-year-old native of Whitby, who is, get this, an accountant by training! He was ordained in 1992 when he was assigned to St. Ignatius Loyola Parish in Mississauga. In 1993, he was made Vice-Rector of St. Augustine's Seminary in Scarborough, returning to Mississauga in 1997 to St. Dominic's Parish, where he served as pastor until this appointment. The official procession into the church from the front vestibule was led by some senior statesmen of the Knights of Columbus.

Next in was Father Tim, along with a number of priests from other parishes - all resplendent in their green vestments. The Bishop was at the end of the procession. He was also wearing the green garment, but in addition, was carrying a scepter (crozier) in his hand and was wearing a white and red coloured mitre on his head. The entrance procession itself was emotionally moving. The Mass then began in earnest, totaling about 100 minutes in duration, about 45 minutes longer than usual. No one seemed to mind - although it was quite hot in the church that day. A rousing standing ovation was offered when Father Tim was officially given care of his church. There were a lot of words said, and many customs and dictates followed during the service that day, but for me, one thing really hit home. Irrespective of one's religion, men like Father Hanley, and his counterparts in the other faiths around town, render a service that is important. They help those in Aurora laugh in celebration, share the sorrow of those who are grieving, and assist those preparing for death. The nobility and selflessness of these men is special; they are there for us. Our community is a much better place by having men like this in our midst.

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Cathy's Corner

By Cathy Vrancic

PMS

All over Aurora, moms are experiencing PMS: "Poor Mommy Syndrome". It's a sort of educationally induced post partum depression. The kids have gone off to school and we're a little moody...a little weepy...and a lot lonely. Men just don't understand. That's not to say that dads all over Aurora aren't missing their kids - no! Over the past five years, I've seen my husband start to mist over weeks before delivering the kids to their out-of-town digs...but then again, that could be because the Visa bill came in at the same time as the tuition bill. And it's not to say that Aurora doesn't have its fair share of Working Mom/Domestic Dad families. The trauma of loading one's baby onto a big yellow hunk of metal on wheels has been known to make mush out of macho just as sure as it can drive a grown woman to curl up into a little ball behind the laundry bin...clutching a teddy bear. Been there...done that... That was bad enough, thanks! Then five years ago, I found out there's worse. Saying good-bye to Jennifer in the doorway of her dorm room at Western made me a little, um...irritable - especially towards my husband. He kept trying to unhook my hands and feet from the door frame, for Heaven's sake! Trust me: parting is NOT such sweet sorrow. I broke four fingernails and lost a shoe in the ordeal. As I limped through the parking lot, I was overwhelmed

with the desire to curl up into a little ball...in the trunk. I begged my husband, but he wouldn't hear of it. He told me I was being irrational and besides, he was driving and needed someone to pass him the tissues. I have since tucked two more children into broom closets that pass for dorm rooms, and it didn't get any easier. PMS gets worse as we age and our progeny supply becomes depleted. But there is hope... Although nothing can cure PMS, I have discovered a few things that can alleviate the symptoms. First, be nice to yourself: eat chocolate! Lots and lots of chocolate! Researchers keep finding out what women already know: chocolate is good for you! It can lower blood pressure, improve skin and has been scientifically proven to stimulate the brain to release the same kind of "feel good" chemicals as a hug from your child...or a passionate kiss from your passionate man. The worse the PMS symptoms, the more chocolate you should eat because the worse the PMS symptoms, the more you will need the chemically synthesized version of the passionate kiss. Let's face it, at the height of PMS, he's not going to come anywhere near you! No, your passionate man is more likely to curl up into a little ball...next to the dog...behind the couch... Second, it is important for moms to replace what they have lost. Yes, I am talking about the fingernails that we have left wedged in door frames all across Ontario. Researchers are discovering what women already know:

manicures make us more likely to avoid doing dishes and laundry. This opens our hearts to the simple joys...things like letting the dishes and laundry pile up for the good of the manicure...and then realizing there are still fewer dishes and less laundry after a week than in a day when our children were home! Honestly, it's enough to make you glad they're gone! Well, almost... Third, we need a distraction. I highly recommend shoes. Researchers are discovering what women already know: collecting shoes is a highly inspiring, fulfilling and self-actualizing experience. The only thing that makes trying on a lovely pair of elegant sandals better is: buying them. The only thing better than bagging those beauties is knowing there is room in the closet for them because the chickadee that flew the nest took all her shoes with her! See? There IS a God! So to all my fellow PMS sufferers out there, I offer this three-part scientifically proven coping strategy. It is guaranteed to reduce the discomfort of PMS, and can even lower your long distance bill! Believe me, it's a lot harder to talk on the phone when your mouth is full of chocolate and both your hands and your feet are busy being beautified. And it sure beats curling up into a little ball...

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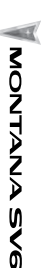
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Doug Hotham, long-time Aurora sports enthusiast, was guest of honour at his Aurora home for his 80th birthday party last week. Joining him, among others, were his two sons, former Toronto Maple Leaf, Greg, left, and “Skate-Mate” inventor, Brent, right. Family members also celebrated with a dinner at the Graystones Restaurant Saturday night.
Auroran photo by David Falconer

Tigers reload with new look

By JOHN KLEIN

The Aurora Tigers Provincial Junior A hockey squad are optimistically looking forward to the new hockey season, having been active in the marketplace for fresh young talent during the off-season.

With only five returning players from last season, the Tigers are looking to offer a fast, young and talented group of new players as they try to defend their trio of last year's North Division, Dudley Hewitt Cup, and Royal Bank Cup titles.

Returning to the Tigers this season is goaltender Matt Beirnes, defenseman Connor McGarry, along with forwards Mark Thorburn, Mark Mayea, and Jordan Watts.

Beirnes went 10-0 last season with two shutouts and a 1.86 goals against average.

McGarry, scored five goals and added 11 assists from the point, while recording 71 penalty minutes with a plus 24 rating.

Physical forward Mark Thorburn scored 27 goals and 19 assists, while recording 130 penalty minutes in the same span.

Mayea and Watts both chipped in with 22 and 23 points each respectively. All the returning players were key contributors to last year's season success.

Key losses from last season are many; but include Aurora resident forward Daniel Michalsky, along with forwards Andrew Favot, Joey Martin, Doug Henderson and Mike Dahlinger.

Notable additions to this year's club include Aurora product Thomas Evans, a defenseman recently promoted from the ranks from the Tiger's affiliate.

Richmond Hill Stars Midget 'AAA' of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association.

Also brought up this season from the Stars is forward David Morley, who is touted to bring some scoring power to the team.

The Tigers also went shopping within the Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) itself over the off-season adding forward Mike McLaughlin, who led his team, the St. Mary's Lincolns of the OHA's Western 'B' loop, in scoring last season.

Another notable addition from other junior hockey ranks is defenseman Michael Paolo of the Fort William North Stars of the Superior International Junior Hockey League, and forward Mike Bodley who spent last season with the Greater Metro Junior Hockey League's King City Wild.

More key additions to this year's version of the Tigers came from one of their opponents in last year's Dudley Hewitt Cup, the Soo Indians.

The Indians have suspended operations this season, and that move has provided the Tigers with goaltender Brennon Poderzay, defenseman Nick Novak and forward Sam Yearsley.

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Tigers slay Knights in opener

By JOHN KLEIN

The Aurora Tigers Provincial Junior A hockey team picked up where it left off last year after winning the Royal Bank Cup National Title.

It's continuing to win hockey games.

Saturday afternoon they opened their season on the road at York University's Canlan Ice Sports Arena against the Villanova Knights, once known as the Thornhill Knights, and handed them a 7-1 drubbing.

The goaltending of Villanova's Patrick Stafford was superb, but even he could not handle the onslaught as Aurora took advantage of several Villanova penalties to lock up the victory.

Tigers opened the scoring in the first period with a goal from Sam Yearsley, assisted by Paul Dupont and Mike McLaughlin.

From that point, the Tigers never looked back.

Captain Matt Amico gave Aurora a 2-0 lead before the frame ended.

Second period goals from Paul Dupont, Michael Paolo and Michael Sardella gave Aurora a commanding lead, and the third period

would follow the same trend, with the Tigers controlling much of the play.

Aurora goals in the third came from Josh Stone and Jordan Watts.

Marty Williamson spoiled Tiger goaltender Brennon Poderzay's shutout bid, midway through the final 20 minutes of play.

Noteworthy for the Tigers was their improved two-way play, after a slow start which saw much of their game scrambled.

However, their commitment to team defense, which improved more as the game wore on, proved vital to their success Saturday afternoon.

Aurora newcomer Michael Sardella particularly stood out, leading the way with an excellent defensive effort.

His hustle to get back to his own end proved the key to the team's success, taking away numerous Villanova chances and limiting others.

He also chipped in offensively with both a goal and an assist in the Tiger victory.

Head Coach Jerome Dupont was less than pleased with the initial effort from his players, but was happy to see they

seemed to come together as a team as the game wore on.

"The play was erratic early," he said, following the game. "But you have to remember that this is only our fourth game together this season."

He went on to emphasize that he is confident with more time together, and with some more games under their belt, Tigers will only get better.

Aurora's next game is Thursday, Sept. 20 on the road against the Stouffville Spirit.

The puck drops at their home opener the next

night, Friday, Sept. 21 at the Aurora Community Centre against arch rivals Newmarket Hurricanes.

Game time is 7.30 p.m.

Oh yeah, it was the Hurricanes that upset Aurora 4-3 in that game last week known as the Battle of Yonge Street.

And since Newmarket this year is hosting the Dudley Hewitt Cup, it could be interesting if both teams are in it.

Newmarket, because it's hosting the event, is guaranteed a slot on the round-robin tournament. Aurora will have to fight for it.

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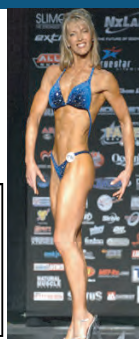
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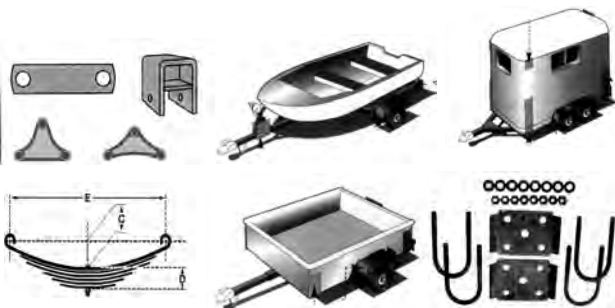
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Minor Atoms ready for season

Big comeback halted in final tourney game

After a slow start in the Richmond Hill Early Bird Tournament recently, the Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AA Team were back on the attack.

They headed to victory winning three straight shutout games and advanced to the finals.

However, the upset

came in the third period of the championship round, when they fell to the Caledon Hawks losing 4-2.

Despite the defeat, the players, coaches and parents walked away feeling proud of all they accomplished in this tournament and began preparing for

the upcoming season.

The Aurora Tigers Minor Atom AA Team looks to be on their way to a great 2007/08 season.

Their season started Sept. 18 when they met the Richmond Hill Stars in a home opener at the Aurora Community Centre.

Deferral motion goes nowhere

At last week's general committee meeting there was a long debate about the operation of the Heritage Centre when the renovations were complete.

As the Heritage Society had advised the town they would prefer not to be responsible for the operation of the Centre, last April council decided that the town assume the responsibility for its operation.

The Society agreed to loan their artifact collection to the Heritage Centre as well as to continue to pay the insurance on the collection and also provide a core of volunteers to assist in the operation of the centre.

The comprehensive report was discussed at the general committee meeting and it was finally agreed 5-3 that the Leisure Services Department would be responsible for the centre's operation.

It was believed the decision as to who would be responsible for the operation of the Centre had finally been determined but when the report was presented Tuesday, the debate reignited thanks to Councillor Evelyn Buck.

She wanted to know if the arrangement for Leisure Services to be responsible was only temporary and that other options as listed in the report would be considered in the future.

Staff members said the options to which she referred were options within the Leisure Services Department.

Councillor Buck then suggested further debate be deferred as she believed there were imperfections in the proposal.

Her motion died for the lack of a seconder resulting in Councillor Evelina MacEachern moving the report and recommendation which carried.

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Cast members of "Charley's Aunt", currently playing at Theatre Aurora, are resplendent in costumes of the day. This is the second time the play has been seen on Theatre Aurora's stage. Its original show was in 1974, and this showing helps TA celebrate 50 years of theatre in Aurora.

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"Charley's Aunt" still funny more than 30 years later

"Charley's Aunt" is a comedy by Brandon Thomas and is currently being presented by Theatre Aurora at the Factory Theatre...for the second time in 33 years.

It is a fun play that will take your mind off politics, elections and the problems of the world at least for a couple of hours.

The play was first presented at the Royalty Theatre, London in 1892 where it played for more than four years.

Theatre Aurora did the play in 1974 as their first production in the Factory Theatre so it was appropriate to repeat it to start the 50th year of community theatre in Aurora.

Jack Chesney is an

Bridge results

Aurora Bridge Club

Tuesday, Sept. 11: Paul Graves and Linda Lord; James Longley and Don Jackson; Mike MacNeil and Grafton Hui; Marg and Paul Macfarlane.

Wednesday, Sept. 12: N/S - Paul Macfarlane and James Longley; Shirley Hulbig and Paul Graves; Beth Stokell and Alex Carpenter. E/W - Betty Saley and Dave Neil; Gerald Heath and Deanne Dennison; Peter Brugger and Peter Ho.

Friday, Sept. 14: N/S - Shirley Hulbig and Paul Graves; Marg Burt and Marg Little; Beth Stokell and Alex Carpenter.

E/W - Grafton Hui and George Payment; Don and Lena Jackson; Peter Blakemore and Bob Hull.

undergraduate at Oxford College and he's in love with Kitty Verdun and his college mate Charley Wykeham loves Amy Spettigue.

They invite the ladies for lunch in Jack Chesney's rooms in the College to meet Charley's wealthy aunt from Brazil who would act as a chaperone.

But at the last minute the aunt advises she will have to delay her visit for a few days.

Their problem is solved when they force another Oxford undergraduate, Lord Fancourt Babberley, into masquerading as Charley's Aunt from Brazil.

Under protest he is dressed up in a black robe and grey wig and the fun starts.

The girls arrive and lunch is served by Brassett, Jack's manservant. Also arriving is Colonel Sir Francis Chesney to tell his son he has lost all his money.

Also arriving is an angry Stephen Spettigue, Amy's uncle and ward of Kitty, as they were attending the luncheon without his permission. When the two men meet Charley's Aunt and hear about her wealth they start showing an interest in him (her).

That afternoon the action switches to the garden out-

side Jack's room when the real Donna Lucia D'Alvadorez arrives from Brazil, accompanied by Ela Delahay, and learns she is being impersonated.

She adds to the fun by asking her impersonator questions about her late husband.

There are many hilarious scenes with the two men chasing who they believe is the wealthy aunt, disregarding the real aunt who says she is a poor widow.

The action changes to the drawing room at Spettigue's House that evening and the fun continues including the unmasking of the imposter.

Director Gillian Rourke, a veteran of Theatre Aurora, has assembled a cast of very strong performers.

Kayne Wylie is the calm, steady Jack Chesney, Thomas Coates is the excitable Charley Wykeham and James Evan is the riotous Lord Fancourt Babberley as Charley's Aunt.

Don Wilson plays Stephen Spettigue, the same character he played in the 1974 production. Jamie Hair is the very military Colonel Sir Frances Chesney, swag-ger stick under arm and Don Colucci is the manservant.

Amber Wood plays the role of Amy Spettigue follow-

ing in her mother's footsteps, Julie Wood who was in the 1974 production.

Set designer Bill White outdid himself as the three sets, furniture and props were excellent, with producer Jo-anne Spitzer pulling it all together.

Charley's Aunt is a first rate production and well worth seeing.

It continues September 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29 at the Factory Theatre.

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By BRIAN WARBURTON

Seniority in the Aurora Seniors Association (ASA) has taken giant steps these past few years and the activities have emerged as a daily celebration of elders.

Daily activities and programs have stood the test of countless participants, and are adjusted and improved as necessary.

The Board of Directors believes we should be reaching out to seniors not yet members and thus has issued an invitation to all seniors to attend the centre Friday evening, Sept. 28 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

This event will provide an opportunity to view what the seniors do in this new building.

The centre is at 5 Municipal Drive and shares the parking lot with the

Aurora Town Hall.

The excellent comic opera, the Barber of Seville has stood the test of time and will continue to do so on Thursday, Oct. 4, when it is presented by Opera York.

Without a doubt, this comic opera has been a delight to countless audiences and a powerful musical foundation for a host of internationally acclaimed operatic singers.

The story is based on one of a trilogy of plays by Pierre de Beaumarchais with the opera written by Gioachino Rossini and is the fifth most performed in North America.

The Barber of Seville is musical entertainment and appeals to everybody who ever tried to sing the words, "Figaro, Figaro, Figaro".

An invitation to visit new seniors' centre

The computer club hosted an open house last week and this event was filled to capacity from start to finish with members seeking guidance and information.

Its success appears to indicate a surge in senior interest in upgrading computer skills, complete with a strong attraction for seniors who are now disposed to learn the rudiments of computing.

The operation of computers is clearly within the intellectual capacity of most.

Anyone, including beginners, who has an interest in computing, should attend the meetings at 10 a.m. every Tuesday morning.

The program varies each Tuesday, but this is an easy entry point to the computer

club, and any questions will be treated with helpful interest.

The association hosted a Carpet Bowling tournament last Wednesday, which attracted great support and participants. Players were caught up in their efforts, and cries of excitement and anguish bore testimony to their involvement.

Sixteen teams took part with 32 participants who bowled.

The following senior centres were involved: Aurora Seniors' Association, Aurora; Newmarket Seniors' Meeting Place, Newmarket; Danube Seniors' Leisure Centre, Bradford; King City Seniors' Centre, King City; and Golden Anchor Seniors' Club, Holland Landing,

Winners included Vera DeCosta and Val Serrie from the Aurora Seniors' Centre; Lucy Roberts and Joan Best, from the Newmarket Seniors' Meeting Place; and Herb Witzig and Anton Ziel from the Danube Seniors' Leisure Centre.

Candidates meet voters

From page 1
of the McGuinty team.

Family Coalition candidate Tad Brudzinski referred to the thousands of people living in poverty, the inadequate health care system and the need for fundamental reform.

Frank Klees referred to his 12 years as an MPP and his record of getting things done and he looked forward to representing the people of

Newmarket/Aurora. NDP Mike Seward in his 4th attempt to win a seat to fight for working people, seeks an increase in the minimum wage and affordable housing and he asked the electors to give the NDP a chance.

Following the opening statements questions were asked by Dick Illingworth of The Auroran and Sharon Culver, Aurora Chamber of Commerce president and were directed to all candidates.

The first question dealt with funding for faith-based schools and the financial impact on the public school system which was suffering financial problems at the present time.

Christina Bisanz referred to the record of the Liberal government over the past four years with smaller class sizes, more teachers and other improvements to the public school system and the party wouldn't agree to divert funds for faith-based schools.

Tad Brudzinski said the Family Coalition had a plan to reform the public school system to provide people with a choice.

MPP Frank Klees said much public information was misleading as a fair funding formula was planned for the school system with attention to special education.

NDP Mike Seward stressed the need for a fair funding formula and said that neither the Liberals nor the Tories wanted to talk

about the funding formula.

Other questions were asked about provincial downloading and the need for a review of provincial-municipal funding with a focus on transportation and social services; the health tax imposed by the McGuinty government and if it had done any good; assurance of an electrical supply; and the need to

reform the Ontario Municipal Board and return local planning to municipal councils.

Candidates answered the questions according to party policy but on the whole it was an interesting and informative evening providing Aurora electors with a better knowledge of the candidates and their platforms.



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Although this commitment by John Tory has not made the headlines, it is the first announcement he made concerning the PC Party's education policy. And it is the first item listed on page 8 of the Party's policy document which I have arranged to be delivered to every household in Newmarket and Aurora. Here is what it says:

"A John Tory government will fix the education funding formula."

The document goes on to say that "A John Tory government will show leadership, make education a priority, and invest the money needed to get the job done. John Tory's plan calls for an \$800 million increase in funding for public education over 2006/07, climbing to an increase of at least \$2.4 billion by the final year of the first 4 year mandate. Schools across the province will be able to count on stable, multi-year funding and enough flexibility to meet their local needs."

Here are some facts that you may want to consider as you listen to Dalton McGuinty's candidate talk about how great things are in the education system.

School boards across the province are running deficits, we have more split grades than ever before and portables are sprouting like mushrooms in our school yards because of inflexible and unworkable policies imposed by the McGuinty government.

And after pouring millions of new money into the education budget, the promise to fix the foundation of our education system remains unfulfilled. Announcements of one-time funding for new programs that made for great photo-ops did nothing to address the gaps in funding of core areas such as special needs, ESL, transportation and resources in the classroom. Instead of fixing the fundamental problems, they have relied on gimmicks and slogans.

The Auditor General denounced this approach to governing as "puffery" but the media either knowingly, or in ignorance, time and again were willing accomplices to the McGuinty propaganda machine. Now, schools need hundreds of millions of dollars in repairs and instead of raising standards for student achievement, the Liberals have lowered them.

Perhaps this is the reason that Dalton McGuinty is so anxious to divert attention from his record on education and would prefer to focus on wedge issues rather than be accountable for his broken promises relating to education.

This is the time to hold Dalton McGuinty accountable. On October 10th, you have that opportunity.

For more information on John Tory's commitment to public education, visit my website at www.frankklees.com or check out "Investing in Education" on pages 7- 11 in the Leadership Matters document being delivered to your door shortly.

As always, please feel free to contact me personally at 416 509 8999 should you want to discuss this or any other issues.

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JOHN MCINTYRE

One of Aurora's major historians is McIntyre

How could one not love historical architecture when they have grown up in a 132-year-old home?

Aurora resident John McIntyre, the curator for the Sharon Temple, has lived in a home that has been owned by his family for 106 years and which has been designated a heritage home under the Ontario Heritage Act.

"I have always loved history and, of course, that comes with a lot of influence from teachers as well as my grandmother who talked about growing up in Aurora and about her ancestors who arrived in Aurora in 1817.

"I began my journey into history in my last year of high school in 1969 as a summer assistant to the curator at the Sharon Temple and the next summer was named curator and worked right through university."

John later served as a board member and volunteer for numerous years.

He began teaching in a program at Seneca College in 1975 that trained students to become historical interpreters for museums.

Sadly, the very specialized program only lasted for a short while and he went on to teach courses in social and cultural history and the history of art and architecture.

With a scholarship, he returned in 1984 to complete his PhD and did his dissertation on the Children of Peace at the Winterthur Museum and the University of Delaware. Ironically, the master builders of the Sharon Temple had first lived and worked in the Delaware Valley and much of his research there produced his book "Children of Peace," in 1994.

The Children of Peace, the builders of the Sharon Temple, embodied contradiction after contradiction.

They were a "plain folk", for-

mer Quakers with no musical tradition, who went on to create the first civilian band in Canada and build the first organ in Ontario.

Doctor McIntyre also wrote "The Early Writings of David Willson", who was the founder of the Sharon Temple.

John is not only passionate about history but he couldn't live without music.

He sang as a church choir member and for a short time was an organist and choir director.

His love of classical music, such as Handel's Messiah, inspires him to occasionally sneak into the Temple to play the 150-year-old small chamber organ that still needs one person to play and one to pump the bellows.

The Sharon Temple is known for its music festival where some of Canada's most accomplished musicians have played.

John has since retired from Seneca but continues to give lectures on architecture and antiques as well as some part-time courses with the College.

He also lectures at historical societies throughout Ontario, and even on cruise ships, and writes articles on historical Canadian buildings and furniture.

"There is a very special feeling at the Sharon Temple: the spirit of David Willson and of Ebenezer Doan, the Master Builder of the Temple and Meeting Houses, is always there. Their tremendous creative energy, along with their calming presence, is inspiring."

John McIntyre will be holding a talk on the Children of Peace at the Words Alive Literary Festival Sept. 29, along with numerous national authors and local writers and storytellers.

To attend this free event visit the website at www.wordsalive.ca and see the list of activities available.

Calming devices cause chaos

Most of Tuesday's three-hour council meeting was taken up by several speakers and delegates for and against the traffic calming project in the northeast quadrant of the old town.

Nothing, however, was changed, as council committed to monitor the results of the traffic calming and its impact.

Seven speakers addressed council with five in support and two opposed.

Ben Kestein and John Swarbrick, who spoke against the project, expressed concern about snowplowing and emergency vehicles.

Their beefs also included people who wanted it should pay for it, the cost to taxpayers will be much more to get rid of the measures than to install them and the need to do something about the Yonge/Wellington intersection.

At the council meeting there were five delegations, four in support of the project and one opposed and supporters thanked councillors and noted how the area had changed dramatically.

Arthur Lombard said he had travelled extensively and had never experienced an obstacle course like this and he was 100 per cent opposed to it.

He added that some motorists are not courteous and willing to take their turn at the chicanes and predicted there would be accidents.

There was a large audience in the council chambers for the

discussion and there was considerable applause after each speaker which was about evenly divided whether the speaker spoke in favour or against the project.

In addition there were eight letters presented of which six were in opposition and two in support.

One of the supporting letters was about a very young boy learning how to ride a two wheeler bicycle for the first time on the roadway, which was possible due to the traffic calming. The other was a letter of thanks with suggestions for improvements.

Letters in opposition expressed concern about the potential of accidents, the possibility of more gridlock, depreciation of property values, cost of the project, lack of consultation, and the changes are overkill and unnecessary.

All presentations and correspondence were received and referred to a staff report from the Acting Director of Public Works.

It was also noted that the process had actually started back in the 1980s when an attempt was made to control traffic in the northeast quadrant as motorists tried to avoid the Yonge/Wellington intersection but no action was taken at that time.

Next steps in the implementation process include line painting, installation of speed humps on Maple and Centre Streets and Catherine Avenue.

Installation of speed cushions on Walton Drive and placement of signage will also occur.

Monitoring traffic flows and volumes in the study area and the area to the north will be carried out in the spring of 2008 after the installation of the final traffic calming measures with a report to the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee and council at that time.

It was reported that while there were some negative comments the approval rating

for the project was 72 per cent and there was a good attendance at the public meetings.

Councillor Evelyn Buck continued her opposition to the project stating there had been inadequate research and other jurisdictions had found that every five steep humps had delayed emergency vehicles up to a minute and fire fighters had been injured as a result of them.

"I have been elected to serve the whole town, not just one area," she said.



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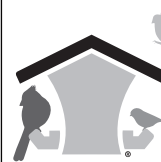
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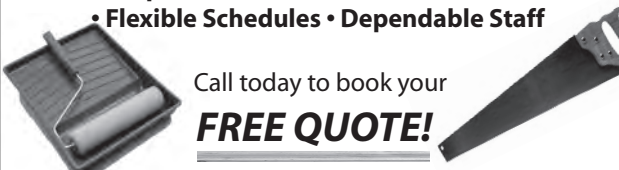
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